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EQUAL PAY FOR WOMEN.—Secy. of Labor Maurice J. Tobin, Frieda S. Miller, director of the Women's Bureru, and Mrs. Mary T. Norton, former congresswoman and now vice chairman of the Women's Advisory Committee of Defense Man-

power, are shown discussing results of the Equal Pay Conference called by the Women's Bureau of the U.S. Dept. of Labor. Figures show that approximately 19 million women are now in the civilian

## Waitress' Pay Dispute Hits New High as Monterey Union Files Charges on 29 Cafes

Charges of contract violation were filed against 29 restaurants by Monterey Culinary-Bartenders Union 483 last week as the dispute over payment of waitresses for bussing dishes reached a new level. The union charges that the restaurant and Betty Ann Gilman, the union all efforts to settle the dispute. operators are not complying with contract provisions which said. Standard contract was signed. "The effect of the seizure has been

require bus boy scale paid to waitresses who must carry their own dirty dishes to the kitchen.

Royal E. Hallmark, union secretary-treasurer - business agent, members of the Monterey Peninmembers of the Montes, sula Restaurant Owners Assn. in a bones re-set. complaint filed in the office of Deputy Labor Commissioner William J. Walls of San Jose.

29 restaurants and first hearing before Commissioner Walls in

A previous dispute over the same contract clause, which states that Carpenters 925 waitresses bussing dishes shall receive the highest class of pay in-

clause was valid and that wait- of Local 925. resses bussing dishes should receive mark said.

dishwasher were asked to cook, he should receive cook's higher pay, but have denied that waitresses bussing dishes should receive the higher rate, according to reports

Listed in the complaints were the following restaurants:

Hermann's Inn, Blue Bell, Mac's son's, 17-Mile-Drive Coffee Shop, Mabel's Cafe, Slats Lucido's Grotto, Pom Pom, Casa Bunras, Morgan Coffee Shop, Carmelo's, Rainbow, Town House, Angelo's, Copa Caba-Ernest's, and Casa Serrano.

## **PACT SIGNED** WITH AIRPORT

Contract has been signed between Culinary-Bartenders Union Aug. 27, 1950, as the result of dis-430 of Monterey and the "Croco- putes with the Railroad Trainmen dile's Tail," a new cafe which has Conductors, Engineers and Firebeen opened at the new Monterey airport, the union announced last AIDS THE BOSSES week.

brought the mass charge against was forced to undergo an opera-

door at the entrance to Bartenders western division of the N. Y. Cen-The complaint was filed in behalf Hall, 315 Alvarado St., Monterey. of 115 waitresses employed in the And to add to the newness, the to work when the government got stairway and lobby have been rehas been scheduled for April 29 painted, making it brighter and not only that strike, but any other.

are unemployed and no major proj-At that time, Dr. Joseph D. ects are in prospect in the Salinas Blacow, of Monterey Peninsula area, it was announced last week College, ruled that the contract by Harvey Baldwin, business agent

Baldwin said that the employbus boy scale, which is higher un- ment picture has brightened in der the contract. Restaurants re- past days with the continued good fused to pay the higher rate, Hall- weather but asked that out-ofwork carpenters from other areas In discussions over the contro- by-pass Salinas, since the local versial clause, restaurant repre- members will get first call for any sentatives have agreed that if a jobs which might open. The union's "out-of-work list" is revised each Monday morning, with local members getting top spots.

### KENYON FIGHTS PREUMONIA ATTACK

William G. ("Bud") Kenyon, Good Eats, Casa Blanca, Brown secretary-treasurer and business Derby, The Pilot, Pacific Mutual manager of General Teamsters Fish Grotto, The Alvarado, Was- Union 890 of Monterey County, has been fighting a serious attack of Cerrito's, Mission Inn, The Poppy, pneumonia for the past 10 days, it was disclosed last week. Kenyon was stricken ill and entered a hospital for rest and treatment on March 28. He has been allowed to return to his home and may get reported.

# **MURRAY PROPOSES** TAKE PROFITS OUT

Washington (LPA)—Branding present government "seizure" of railroads a phony, Sen. James E. Murray (D., Mont.) introduced a bill March 28 to take the profits out of such operations during a labor dispute. Murray is chairman of the Senate Labor Committee.

operating expenses and "just com- Treasury. pensation" to the rail companies, pensation to the railroads would injunction continued. be set by a compensation, also named by the President, with right of appeal to the U.S. Court of Claims.

Under present law, Murray explained, government operation is merely "token seizure," railway merely "token seizure," railway management continues to run the roads, and handles and pockets the roads, and handles and pockets the profits. Murray said this "just stymies the possibility of settlement. All the railroads have to do is to continue the token government operation indefinitely and make no effort to reach an under-standing."

The nation's railroads have been under government "control" since putes with the Railroad Trainmen, Carpenters Hall.

The only effect of this "seizure," to further to resolve the dispute in Josie Drake, waitress member of favor of the carriers simply be-Culinary-Bartenders Union 483 cause the unions are deprived of employed at the Pom-Pom Coffee the sanctions they could exercise Shop in Monterey, suffered a if the roads were nominally in pribroken arm in a fall recently. She vate hands." Murray believes government seizure "should be suffition in a local hospital to have the ciently onerous that it will not be used as a buck-passing device."

The three unions involved staged Yes, that's a brand new front a three-day strike by 6000 on the tral system, and were driven back an injunction March 11 forbidding

Having got nowhere in three years, and having been driven back to work by an injunction, the three unions filed suit in federal court in Cleveland March 24 to test legality of the seizure. The unions declared was submitted to arbitration last August.

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Under his bill, after payment of pensated" as federal employes, with the rest going into the U. S.

The same day Murray introduced any balance would go to the U.S. his bill a federal court in Cleve-Treasury. A government "board of land extended the temporary incontrol" named by the President junction again while the hearing would run the railroads, and com- on the plea for a permanent

# Carp. Council Salinas Meet

With important business to be considered, including reports on contracts and similar matters, the Monterey Bay District Council of Carpenters held a special meeting on Monday of last week, at Salinas

The regulary scheduled council meeting on Tuesday of this week was ordered cancelled and all business for the April meeting was handled at the special meeting, according to Harvey Baldwin, council president.

Signing of a contract with Friedline's Furniture Shop, 828 Lighthouse Ave., Monterey, was an-nounced by Carpenters Union 1323 of Monterey, the contract covering mill and cabinet workers employed in the furniture plant. The district council is supplying the official Millmen's stamp to the Friedline firm for application to work to show it is done by union mechanics.

Union officials at the council meeting explained conditions and status of employment in their areas. Discussions centered about local conditions and contract

Next meeting of the council was scheduled for Tuesday night, May 13, at King City, with Carpenters Local 1279 of that city as host to the group.

The cut in food subsidies in over," impounded, and the rail Great Britain will send the cost of workers "fairly and justly com- living index up 41/2 points.



WISH GRANTED.—Gregory Robinson, left, blind Portland, Ore. boy, known throughout the city for his playing of a musical instrument known as the "auto harp," confided to Yellow Cab drivers who take him to school every day that he'd like an "auto harp of my own." Harold E. Johnson, center, a member of the AFL Teamsters, took up a collec-Pop back to work late this week, it was tion among cab drivers and the boy got his wish. Johnson's son, Charles, witnessed the presentation. (LPA)

**Teachers List Building Reps.**, **Committee Heads** 

Building representatives have been selected for Teachers Union 1020 and committees have been appointed by Russ Messner, union

Selected as building representatives, with the duties of reminding teachers of meetings, payment Monterey. of dues and submission of news

Hartnell College, Dr. Pete Borough; Monterey H. S., Wayne Edwards; Fremont, Margaret Naegle; Sanborn, Marguerite Clayson; Salinas Evening School, Roy Hearn: El Sausal Jr. High, Elgie Bellizio; Washington Jr. High, Don Thomp-

Tarr, Don Muncy, Vincent Morris; Education, Howard Sagehorn, Janet Barber, Mrs. Logan; Salary, Don Muncy, Evert Lindquist, Russ Messner; Grievance, Don Thompson, Virginia Gilbert Esther Ingram; Organizing, Gordon Miller; Publicity, Lynnea Berthelson and Fred Clayson.

## **Provides Work**

With good weather prevailing, fishermen reportedly have started search for anchovies and will endeavor to supply local plants with such fish for a summer pack. Several plants have orders for anna, Blue Ox, Hotel San Carlos, chovies, if available, it was annal Jack's Grill, Gallatins', Pop nounced.

items, were the following: Metal equal t shipram at riations pbuild-

son; Salinas High, Russ Messner. Committees: Legislative, Don-

# **Mackerel Pack**

For the first time since the recent storms and floods members of the Monterey Fish Cannery Workers Union got some work last week as one plant (Oxnard) packed mackerel trucked in from a southern port, union officials said.

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ers contended that a serious question of civil rights and constitu-

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an order handed down by the chairman of the city council. He

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city council meetings, must hence-

forth wear uniforms, because, he

said, "their disturbingly low-cut

gowns upset the city fathers and

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# **Bread and Butter Facts** HALF AMERICAN FAMILIES

In 1950, the average American city family had a total income of \$3673, but almost half these families did not have an income high enough to meet the Labor Department's 'minimum adequate' budget for family.

This is only one figure out of many in a recent report issued by the Census Bureau giving more complete and up to date informa-American income than has previously been available.

The 1950 figure is \$200 more than the comparable figure for 1949. Undoubtedly the 1951 figure will be even higher.

Because this figure is an average, it hides the large number of families whose incomes are well below this amount. In 1950, the incomes of one-fourth of all American families were below \$2000 and for almost 12 per cent of the families, total income did not reach even \$1000.

What are the characteristics of families whose income is above average? This new report sheds some light on this question. Consider the following: LOCATION

City families have higher incomes than farm families. One reason for this is that these figures measure only "money income." A good part of income received by farm families is "income in kind" (food grown on the farm, for example) and cannot be accurately measured. For city families, the average "money income" is \$3673;

been made in recent years in opening occupations and skilled trades to Negro workers, it is still true tion about the distribution of that income of Negro families is well below that of white. The 1950 figures show that among wage and salary workers, white families have an average income of \$3720, but non-whites (Orientals, as well as Negroes) only \$2272.

> Up to a certain point, the older a person, the higher his income. Up to \$3881 for the 45-54 age bracket, family incomes rise with the age of the head of the family. A sharp decline, however, sets in after this point, and for families whose head is over 65 the average is only \$3004.

SIZE OF FAMILY

The old adage "the rich get richer, the poor get children" still seems to hold true. For workers' families, the average income is about \$3600 for families with 0, 1, or 2 children. With more children the average starts declining until for families with 6 or more children under 18 years old, the average is only \$2963.

**Business to Spend** \$24 Billion in '52 on 1 Plant, Equipment

Washington (LPA) - Despite gloomy statements that high taxes are "killing them," they have no money, and there's no "incentive" any more, the nation's industries expect to spend \$24.1 billion on new plant and additions to equipment in 1952, according to surveys by the Commerce Department and the Securities and Exchange Commission.

That \$24.1 billion is 4 per cent above 1951, which was a record up to then. Further, the mining companies expect an increase in sales of 11 per cent; electric and gas utilities and non-rail transport firms, 10 per cent; manufacturers, 5 per cent. Durable goods industries expect to do better than 5 per cent.

Electric and gas utilities expect to spend \$3.8 billion, or 8 per cent more than in 1951. The oil companies expect to spend \$2.4 billion or 25 per cent more; primary iron and steel companies \$1.6 billion: durable goods expect to increase spending by 16 per cent; non-rail transportation 19 per cent; non-ferrous metals 92 per cent; electrical machinery and rubber 33 per cent; chemical and motor vehicles industries 13 per cent.

The industries expecting to spend less are paper, textiles, food, and fabricated metals.

**Good Lady Drivers** 

In Washington, D.C., for three full days seven lady streetcar drivers accomplished the feat of looking down their noses at their male colleagues and at the same time jockeying their trolley cars through Washington's busy streets. The ladies, all AFL members, felt they had reason to adopt a superior attitude toward their union brothers-for a little while, at least-after Vice Pres. E. C. Giddings, of the Capital Transit Co., told the Citizens' Forum that "women worked for us during the war as drivers and proved themselves better than men in many instances. They are more courteous and handle the cars more efficiently."

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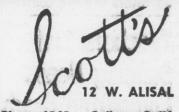


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## for farm families \$1970. Although much progress has Hourly Earnings Up,

hourly earnings - including overtime and other premium pay-of the nation's 13 million production workers in manufacturing plants reached \$1.64 in mid-February, the Labor Department's Bureau of Statistics revealed March 25. But their weekly pay checks - before deductions—averaged \$66.83, down 57 cents from the December 1951

average. cents higher than in January 1951 bilization order was issued, this resulted from the larger proportion of workers employed in higherwage defense-connected industries, which also had longer hours. In the 7 months between the start of the Korean war and the wage freeze, factory earnings rose by 10 cents, or 7 per cent. The average has remained unchanged for the last 3 months. For basic steel the gain

Reflecting a slump in consumer industries, weekly earnings in textile-mill products dropped \$2.20 to \$51.74 from February 1951 and apparel and other finished textile products also showed lower wages. The number of production workers in textiles was the lowest for the season since the 1930's while the average work week of 381/2 hours was the lowest for more than 10 years except in 1949.

# **Weekly Pay Drops** In Defense Plants

Washington (LPA)-Average

While average earnings were 8 when the government's wage stawas only 2 cents in January over January 1951.

Expansion of the defense production program continued workweek peaks of 42 hours or more in ordnance, machinery, electrical equipment, instruments and fabricated metals to offset the drop in consumer goods, with the average for all manufacturing plants virtually unchanged for the year. Other industries reporting a decrease of a half hour or more during the year were furniture, apparel, jewelry, toys, paper, chemicals and miscellaneous manufac-

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## Making Ends Meet— Cabbage, Eggs, Chickens, Dried Fruits are Best Buys Now

Markets in most parts of the country are featuring cabbage, eggs, broilers; fryers, prunes, and raisins. Grapefruit, oranges, and cottage cheese are also good buys. With cabbage prices considerably below what they were last year at this time, cabbage is a good vegetable to use both raw in spring salads, and as a cooked vegetable.

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President James Conant of Har-

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people of our country and that

150,000 dentists would be needed

to maintain a desirable level of

dental care once the accumulated

same day that the Creole Petro-

(after all taxes) were \$202,278,299,

compared to \$166,930,337 in 1950,

another oil company asked a price

The Union Oil Co. of California asked the Office of Price Stabili-

zation for permission to boost the

price of crude oil 60 cents a barrel. The alibi was that "incentive" was needed to go out and drill more

The same day Kirby Petroleum

Co. reported net profits in 1951

1950. Swan-Finch Oil net profits

leaped from \$5827 in 1950 to \$84,-

033 in 1951. South Penn Oil net

profits went from \$7,607,262 to

\$8,734,403. Barber Oil net profits

went from \$1,367,150 to \$2,651,036.

wells to find more crude oil. Oil companies' dividends in 1951 were 20 per cent higher than in

vard University in a report to the

Board of Overseers said:

posit boxes.

basket and pencil-sharpener.

Eggs are still reasonably priced HOME BUSINESS CENTER and in good supply. Remember that you can use them for lunch or of business center in your home dinner, as well as for breakfast. Two large eggs per person provide work" and store records and other enough protein for the main dish of the meal.

Large production of both prunes and raisins last year means that there is still an adequate supply and often just in boxes. of them in most markets at comparatively low prices. They can be fitted into many types of thrifty dishes for low-cost meals. Use them in stuffings for pork or poultry, puddings or cakes, or brown bread.

#### FOOD HINTS

When you are buying cabbage, look for heads that are solid and heavy for their size. Try to pick the ones without decayed or yellow leaves and that have the base of the leaves firmly attached to the steam. Store cabbage covered in the refrigerator.

The federal grade stamp on meat provides a reliable guide to quality. The grade is stamped in a harmless purple coloring matter and is required on beef, veal, calf, lamb, and mutton.

#### FUTURE FOOD REQUIREMENTS

Under-Secretary of Agriculture Clarence J. McCormick says that for every 4 people who sat down to a meal in 1950, there will be another person at the table in 1975.

This will require a 20 per cent increase in production of farm commodities just to keep even with our 1950 level of diet. To improve our diet we will need a great deal more meat, eggs, and other food products. McCormick said that the one sure way of expanding farm production is by building up the yield per acre.

#### HOUSEKEEPING HINTS

A good way to prepare sprinkled shirts for ironing is to roll them up and put them in a plastic sheet or in a sprinkling bag for about 2 needs had been met. hours. The plastic sheet or sprinkling bag will help distribute sprinkling bag will help distribute the moisture, whereas terrycloth Profits Fabulous, towels, which are frequently used, tend to absorb it. end to absorb it.
Washing machines should ordi-

narily not be used for home dyeing of fabrics or clothes because most dyes call for boiling the fabric in the dye solution which is not possible in a washing machine. Howtinting—that is, giving a temporary color. The best utensil for home dyeing is still a big, oldfashioned washtub which is large enough to keep the clothes moving in the dye bath and is made for

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# Millionaire's

With the budget and special sessions of the State Legislature scheduled to close, it appeared that the Big Money scheme to push the "millionaires' amendment" plot through the California Legislature had again fallen short of passage.

Resolutions were introduced in both Assembly and Senate proposing that the U.S. Constitution be amended to provide a 25 per cent rate ceiling on federal income, estate, and gift taxes.

In the upper house, the ceiling resolution, SJR 1, was defeated in a sharp voting test before the Revenue and Taxation Committee. It failed by one vote to get the necessary majority tally of six.

Voting for the ceiling which would shift the corporate tax load to wage earners and small business firms were Senators Harry L. Parkman (R., San Mateo), Randolph Collier (R., Del Norte, Siskiyou), Jesse M. Mayo (R., Tuolumne, Mariposa, Calaveras), Jack B. Tenney (R., Los Angeles), and Clarence C. Ward (R., Santa Bar-

Voting against the resolution were Senators Arthur H. Breed Jr. (R., Alameda), High M. Burns (D., Fresno), Jess R. Dorsey (R., Kern), Ben Hulse (R., Imperial), and Frederick H. Kraft (R., San

Primary author of SJR 1 was Senator Earl D. Desmond (D., Sacramento).

In the 1951 general session of the Legislature a similar resolution reached the floor of the Senate where it was defeated by one

Both 1952 resolutions were emphatically opposed by the California State Federation of Labor.

The lower house tax ceiling effort was led by Assemblyman Harold K. Levering (R., Los Angeles), primary author of AJR 2. Levering failed to present the resolution for vote when scheduled, and after two delays the measure was dropped from the committee calendar.

Similar resolutions are now in 450,000 dentists would be required effect in 16 states asking Congress to call a constitutional convention mulated treatment needed by the for imposing the tax ceiling.

However, nine other state legislatures have already vetoed or rescinded similar actions.

Sponsors of the "millionaires" amendment" include the anti-labor Committee for Constitutional Government, the Western Tax Council, and the American Taxpayers Association.

Surprise suport of the state AFL position at Sacramento came from the California State Chamber of Commerce, which preferred the present tax structure to any new Washington (LPA) - On the system which might evolve from a constitutional convention. The ever, the machine can be used for leum Corp. reported its net profits State Chamber claimed the convention would not necessarily be committed to the 25 per cent ceiling function.

# OPS Saved

reported that price controls saved each American more than \$51 in were \$1,311,575 against \$629,450 in 1951.

If prices had continued to rise last year at the rate they increased before price controls were put into effect in February 1951, the additional cost to the people would

have averaged out to almost \$52. The cost of running OPS last year amounted to 36 cents for each American, leaving a net saving of more than \$51 each.

Seventy-five Italians left Milan on March 18th for work in British

### 10% Down Payment On Home Repairs Is Eliminated

have put the cars out of the reach monthly pensions are increased \$25. of average income families. Dr. Thomas W. Rodgers, of the Ameritherefore be dropped or relaxed.) curve at 85 the next.

### **Lengthy Negotiations** Hailed as 'Victory'

Crockett, Calif. (LPA)-It took eight months to reach, but a Fed-Washington (LPA) - You no eral conciliator announced the longer will have no make a 10 per agreement as "a notable victory cent down payment on home re- for real collective bargaining." pairs and improvements, but you'll With 122 amendments made in the still have to complete payments contract during negotiations which within 36 months. The Federal Reserve Board amended its Regulation W, on credit buying, March 24. cal 20037 received 7½ cents more (In Chicago a conference of the an hour, retroactive to Sept. 1. American Bankers' Association was After 30 years' service with Ameritold recent price boosts on autos can Hawaiian Sugar Refining Corp.

Life in these United States: can Finance Conference, declared Worrying about one's health one credit controls on autos should minute and passing a car on a

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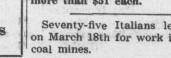
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## Brass, Braid, and Bosses

With the tremendous increases in military spending, there are trends developing that will bear careful scrutiny by labor, chief among them the rise of military power over our economy.

The big boys, with noses well trained to smell money, have for some time now realized where it can be found in biggest piles. They just love a war economy because there is endless, careless, cost-plus spending, and nobody but the dumb sucker taxpayer to account to. They are cultivating the military brass on a big scale, because brass has turned to gold—next year the military will have the fabulous sum of \$100 billion to spend (accumulated funds).

The cozy relations between Big Biz and Top Brass may explain why we have so many generals running for office.

But labor's chief concern is the movement of brass and braid into the field of labor relations. Crusty bosses are hard enough to deal with, and we have their union-busting Taft-Hartley law now strangling us. But we ain't seen nothing, if the brass takes over.

The American public looks rather fondly on the uniform, but ask any GI about it and you'll come to realize that it is built on strict, unthinking discipline, a tough, dictatorial rule that is OK for the battlefield but is strictly stinko for the more normal conditions of daily, civilian life.

The military, faced with a labor problem, doesn't tolerate the idea of negotiation or tolerance. To hell with that, call out the troops, beat down the mob-such is their usual reaction. Now, with a hundred billion to spend, they're really in the saddle. Already they are cracking the whip on their growing number of civilian employees, and they will merge with labor haters in big business to put some real restrictions on got all fouled up and he is still American labor in general.

Fortunately, we have about 15 million ex-GIs who are wise ful time. Stop. Wish you were her. to the really cruel power of the military. But the great bulk stop." of the public has never come under its whip and must be constantly reminded of the menace this situation is developing.

#### **Health Plans Spreading**

Several developments in the health plan field in the past week or two. First was the revelation by the doctor-founded CPS that its own doctors were chiselling millions in fake fees from the plan. This is one of the worst blows yet to fall on the prestige of the profession, which has been also seriously hurt by the AMA's greedy political campaign against a decent father who cleaned his shotgun on health plan for the American people. All health plan systems the front porch and the next day should now be doubly on guard against such chiselling.

Another development is labor's insistence that these plans be jointly administered by labor and management. San Diego shipyard workers went on strike to enforce such a demand.

A third trend noticeable is that of spreading coverage to the entire family. The average working stiff is sick about five days out of 40 years, statistics show. The poor bloke simply can't afford to be sick, drives himself into working. The wife and kids, however, run up the big hospital bills, and they should be covered. Bay Area Painters are requesting family coverage and getting it.

San Francisco labor, with 90,000 members covered, at a cost of \$6 to \$10 million a year, is launching a careful study on how all this money can be spent for better and broader care than it is now getting.

## "Read" Your Daily Papers

As the political campaign gets hotter, we might remind ourselves of a very fundamental lesson we have learned in the past two or three general elections. The lesson is this:

If there is some doubt in your mind as to who to vote for or support, and such doubts are logical since it is impossible for us to know a candidate intimately, then you can fall back on this guide: Don't support the man who gets the biggest play in the daily press, in the magazines, and on the radio.

This is a negative approach, but since our press and radio are so completely dominated by big business, special interests, and the ruling monopolies, we have no other alternative.

The press will endeavor again to make it appear we have wide choice, and that "the people" will make their wishes known. But you will see certain names in the black headlines every day. Certain ones will get much space-others, who don't conform to big business policies-will get little or no

Therefore, be guided accordingly. Look and listen, and wote the other way!



Washington, D. C.

#### Too Many Meadvilles . . .

There are many cities like Meadville, Pa., where unemployment is rising. AFL Organizer F. L. Alexander writes that the Meadville Central Labor Union wanted to join with the city officials in seeking assistance. But the local Chamber of Commerce, backed by the Meadville Tribune, refused to participate. Maybe they want to deal with the unemployment problem by pretending it isn't there.

#### Warning to Workers:

Skilled workers are warned against going to Alaska unless they have positive assurance of work through a union or a recognized government agency. Many phony employment outfits have fleeced thousands of workers in past few years by sending them to Alaska for jobs that did not exist. Skilled tradesmen thinking of going to Alaska should first contact the Anchorage Labor Council.

#### AMA Says No Again . . .

A bill to provide adequate maternity and infant care for wives of enlisted men came up before the Senate Labor Committee. Testinony indicates that enlisted men on their small salaries cannot meet these needs. The program has the support of many national organizations, including the major veterans' groups. But witnesses for the American Medical Assn. were opposed. The AMA had no alternative the offer in the criticism. to offer . . . just criticism.

#### 'Arctic Dishwasher' . . .

Navy explorers at Point Barrow, Alaska, found a quick way to wash dishes at 50 degrees below zero: Just hold the dishes outside . . . tap them with a hammer . . . and the frozen food pops right off. After you've been holding dishes outside at 50 below zero, be sure to count your fingers.

## JOKES, Etc.

Our dog smelled simply orophyll Until we gave him chlorophyll.

"Grand Coulee," cried the devout man as he hit his finger with the hammer.

"What do you mean by yelling 'Grand Coulee?'" asked his wife. "That," the man replied, "is the world's largest dam, isn't it?"

The omission of one little letter sometimes means a lot. On a convention trip a man sent the stock telegram to his wife, "Wish you were here." But Western Union trying to explain the missing "e" in his message, "Having a wonder-

Experience is what you get while looking for something else.

Perhaps the reason they don't have wedding showers for men is because a man has plenty of stormy weather ahead after his bride begins to reign.

Didja hear the one about the his daughter had eight proposals? Bve. now.



KEYHOLE VIEW.—Beyond that keyhole are other shapely beauties like Aileen Stanley, Jr. They're starring in the movie "About Face."

Henpeck, in a sorely battered state, was being cross-examined by a bullying counsel. "Do you mean to tell me that

you have always treated your wife with respect?" asked counsel. "Always," replied Henpeck,

firmly. "And you've never once spoken a

hasty word to her?"

Henpeck hesitated for a moment and the lawyer was quick to seize the opportunity. He roared, "I

want the truth!"
"Well," faltered Henpeck at last, "I remember I did once say to her, 'Put down that poker!"

After reading the nursery rhyme the queen was in the parlor, eating bread and honey" the first grade teacher, realizing that "parlor" is a Victorian word, asked the class:

"Where was the queen?" One little boy answered: "She was in a beer parlor." But a little girl corrected him:

"She was having her hair done."

A city girl visited the farm for the first time and was fascinated by the cows. She stood for a long time watching them chew and then exclaimed: "It seems to keep them contented, but doesn't it cost a lot to provide chewing gum for all those cows?"

"Who broke your window, Mrs. "My husband, dear. He ducked."

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complete fool of me."

"What a lasting impression some girls make."

rule is a baby in the house. "I had bad luck with both my

A perfect example of minority

wives." "How is that?"

"The first eloped." "And the second?" "Didn't."

A girl from a big English city, helping with the harvest, complained that a bull kept looking at her in a somewhat menacing manner. "I expect," said the farmer, "that it's on account of that red frock you are wearing."

"Oh," said the girl, "I know it's

Leisure is a beautiful garment, but it will not do for constant wear.

"What did you divorce your hus-

SOCIAL SECURIT

Your Security Office is at 196 San Augustine St., San Jose 10. Phone CYpress 2-2480.

Farm and household workers newly covered by social security now have the same old age and survivors insurance protection as workers in commerce and indus-

Regular work on a farm and regular employment in a private household mean valuable rights to monthly retirement payments for the worker and his family and insurance payments for survivors in case of the worker's death. The amount of the payments to retired workers or to survivors of deceased insured workers depends on the amount of the worker's earn-

The value of this insurance to the family makes it important for every regular farm worker to assure himself that his cash earnings are being properly reported. Each quarter, the amounts reported are posted to the worker's social security account. Retirement and survivors' benefits are based on the wages posted.

Not all farm workers and not all people working in private homes are covered by social security. Farm workers build social security rights only if they work for thhe same employer at least 60 days in a three-month period; also, farm workers must be employed by the same employer continuously for three months before their wages begin to count toward social security rights.

Employees doing household work build social security rights only if they work in the same household on 24 or more different days in three months. Working regularly each week on two or more different days would meet this test.

The social security office at the above address will be glad to give further information to farm and householld workers and to furnish booklets and pamphlets explaining the law in greater detail.

## **Britain Plans Hiring** Of Older People

The British Minister of Labour and National Service has announced the decision to set up a National Advisory Committee on the Employment of Older Men and Women. The purpose of this committee will be to advise and with your life than with your lips. the Government in carrying out its policy to promote the employ-"I once loved a girl who made a ment of older people and thus extend the span of working life. There were at the begining of

the century roughly 10 people over present pensionable age for every 100 younger people of working age. Now there are 20; and in less than a generation there will be 30. There is therefore a general eco-

nomic reason for this policy. If more and more older people were to mean more and more people not in employment although capable of productive work, an unnecessary burden would be placed on those at work and producing, and this burden would grow. Today the long-term economic need is made yet more urgent by the general manpower shortage. To carry on at work for at least some part of the pensionable period will be not only financially profitable to terribly out of fashion, but just the old people, but will help to fancy that—a country bull noticing preserve interests and a sense of value to the community. Thus the needs of the individual combined with the needs of the community make desirable more employment of older people.

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## A Letter to Your Doctor On Health Insurance

Let us ignore for a time the about national health insurance. claims and counter claims in re- Here's a letter which was suggard to national health insurance gested for union people to send to agement has failed to meet the and summarize just what such a their doctors. We think it pretty problem of retirement policies for program would do for everyone: THIS IS HOW NATIONAL

HEALTH INSURANCE WOULD WORK

1. When you or a member of "I have been reading some of the nomics and Social Institutions. your own choice.

hospital care or the service of a wards, the news broadcaster sponspecialist, you would be entitled to sored by the eight million members such care (hospital care for 60 of the American Federation of La-

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benefits also if you were retired politics, you're miles off your beat. efficiency of workers in different under Social Security or Govern- In these questions, you're no exage groups. ment retirement plan, or if you pert. And, if I may say so, you state agency.

would be distributed to local communities by the states. In your locality, a board made up of representative citizens and doctors (the doctor members to be selected by the doctors themselves) would handle the funds and determine the method of payment.

4. Your doctor, specialist, and hospital would be paid out of the fund handled by the local committee-instead of your paying them directly. That's the only difference from the present method. Your medical bills will be paid on the insurance basis rather than individually on the catastrophe basis.

You could see your doctor earlier, stay healthier, stop worrying about medical bills.

#### WHAT CAN YOU DO?

"What can YOU do to help get a fellow who runs the shabby 'Comnational health insurance pro- mittee for Constitutional Governgram?" The best thing is to send ment' which your medical associaa letter to your family doctor and tion has now apparently taken into side." explain how you feel, and also talk full partnership in its political it up among your friends so that campaign. everyone will know the truth "Just one thing more, Doctor, it on to others,

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"Dear Doctor,

your family need medical care, you advertisements prepared by the would call or go to the doctor of professional propaganda boys hired icies and procedures in 14 major by the American Medical Associa-If your doctor found you needed tion. I also listened to Frank Edbor. As I had suspected, there was You would also be entitled to something more than met the eye in those high-pressure newspaper

"Doctor, I wouldn't attempt to argue with you on a medical mat- tiring workers. 2. You and your family would ter. If I didn't think you knew your get these benefits if you are em- stuff in your own field, I wouldn't ployed, a farmer, or in business for want you for my doctor. But when lution to the retirement problem, yourself. You would make small you and your medical society hired regular payments out of your in- a coupe of 'pitch men' to feed me a management. come into a Government insurance batch of bunk and tell me and my and salaries would be matched by should be run, then you are no of retirement to the individual. equal payments from their em- longer talking about medical matters. In fact, Doc, when you start provide essential data for a com-You would be eligible for these buying newspaper space to argue parison of the productivity and questions, you're no extry how to cure cancer.

"In this political field, Doctor, you and I are both just a couple of plain citizens. I believe that I am fying factors that affect the size perfectly able to exercise my judgment as a citizen and do my small ployed group, and in developing part in running America and to select whom I shall vote for without any help from you, Doc. In fact, I felt just a bit better about our relationship as doctor and pa- You probably couldn't get out of tient before you, through your medical association, brought pol- stand the AMA told you to kick in itics into this picture.

very happy about the company you're keeping on this deal. Of but I don't like to see my doctor enemy agent and a character cited

# Lag on Aid

Princeton, N. J .- Industrial manrelations section of the Princeton University Department of Eco-

The 65-page study surveyed polcompanies.

It noted that management had accepted responsibility in pension plans and other security benefits, but none of the companies had established company - wide procedures for counseling before and after retirement, and only rarely were standards available for supervisors who dealt directly with re-

The report advocated development of a consistent national soand outlined 4 possible steps to aid

1. Improved handling of retirefund, just like Social Security. The next-door neighbor about who ment procedures, especially to recpayments made by people on wages should run America and how it ognize more fully the importance

2. Improved personnel records to age groups.

3. More careful study of the efwere receiving public aid and your make yourself look about as ridicu- fects of a flexible retirement policy contribution was paid by a local or lous as I would if I should bust out on organization efficiency, on penin the public press with a series of sion costs, on the proportion of 3. The health insurance fund ads telling the doctors of the coun- over-65 persons at work, and on employe and union attitudes.

4. Increased cooperation with outside research groups in identiand quality of the past-65 empractical standards for more selective retirement and more effective counseling.

sending in your \$25.00. I underor else. So I'm not going to hold "Another thing, Doctor, I'm not that against you. But won't you do this for me: write to the Committee for the Nation's Health at 1416 course, I know 'politics makes F Street, N.W., Washington 4, strange bed-fellows' and all that, D.C., and ask them for the other side of this story. I understand lining up with a convicted one-time there are some outstanding doctors on that Committee, and I just Now comes the big question: for contempt of Congress like this have a hunch that they have a side of this story that you haven't heard. I don't ask you to agree with them - just hear the other

Read your labor paper. Then pass

## **OUR CONGRESSMEN VOTE BIGGER SLUMS**

More than 200 Congressmen have indicated that they want, in effect, more and bigger slums. On March 21, the House of Representatives voted to cut the heart out of the slum clearance and housing laws.

The following California con-Donough, Phillips, Poulson, Scud- nually. der and Werdel.

The vote was interpreted as a move aimed at destroying the en- public housing units had been tire public housing program by making it inoperative. It was one more effort of the present Congress to try to cripple agencies of government.

To restore the public housing program to life, when it comes before the Senate Committee on Appropriations and later the Senate, will take "the fighting support of every citizen who believes in slum clearance and low-rent housing," according to the National Housing Conference.

The latest chapter in the story of the knifing of public housing a stand against an effective public began in 1949, when Congress housing program. passed a public housing law to build 810,000 houses and apartments, no more than 135,000 to be built in a single year. Last year, Congress approved the building of only 50,000 units.

gressmen voted for slums: Allen, defense emergency justified the cut. The AFL, as it did in 1951, Anderson, Bramblett, Hillings, continued to back construction of Hunter, Jackson, Johnson, Mc- 135,000 houses and apartments an-

The Housing and Home Finance Agency reported that only 13,000 completed by the end of last January.

Last month, the House Appropriations Committee approved a bill limiting public housing construction to 25,000 a year. Sid Yates (D., Ill.) tried to raise the figure to 50,000. Then O. C. Fisher (D., Tex.) proposed a limit of only 5,000 units annually.

The House adopted the Fisher proposal, 192 to 168. Including those who did not vote but announced that they favored the cut, a total of 211 representatives took

#### UNIONISTS MAKE MOVIE

Woronoco, Mass. (LPA) - Members of Local 197, AFL Paper Makers, who turned actors for the Last January, President Truman production of the movie, "Union in asked Congress to limit public the Mill," saw themselves on the housing to 75,000 units in the year screen for the first time when the beginning next July 1. He said the union film had its premiere here.

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tripled, almost doubled its net 7 Housing Projects Cannon Mills, although its taxes profits on record sales of \$188,-836,986. Net income (after all taxes) was \$15,473,507 against \$7,-209,988 in 1950, although taxes rose from \$5,155,535 to \$15,473,507.

Bucyrus-Erie net profits rose from \$4,658,772 to \$6,014,629; Weyerhaeuser Timber, from \$32,908,595 to \$39,945,708; Gaylord Container, from \$6,881,896 to \$8,716,639; Venezuelan Petroleum from \$2,624,802 to \$3,537,411.

## **Professor Named** To U.C. Labor Job

(State Fed. Release)

announced the appointment of E. naire. T. Grether to succeed Clark Kerr as director of the Institute of Industrial Relations at Berkeley.

Dr. Grether, now dean of the School of Business Administration at Berkeley, has been identified with the Institute since its inception.

As a member of the Institute's has been active in determining policy for the university's industrial relations program.

Dr. Grether is currently chairman of the Study Commission Unemployment Insurance. In 1949 he served as general chairman of authority. the Governor's Conference on Em-

During World War II, he was a public panel member of the Tenth Regional War Labor Board. He has also served as Consultant to the National Recovery Administration In New York Buildings and the Office of Price Administration, as Director of Economic Management for the National Security Resources Board, and is secretary of the San Francisco World Trade Center Authority.

### **AFL Resumes Broadcast** Of 'As We See It' Over 80 Stations

program "As We See It" resumes employing 3,500 subject to the April 5 under sponsorship of the same contract terms. AFL. Instead of interviews, the increases set the new range for 13-week series will be devoted to handymen, starters, assistant startroundtable discussions on the "issue of the week.'

party, will be participants in the week (before taxes). first 15-minute period; the following week two Congressmen will be invited to take part and the same week to week.

With 80 stations of the Ameriand holidays. can Broadcasting Co. carrying the program, it will originate from Washington at 7 p.m. Saturdays, but other cities may carry it at a later time or day. Time was made available free of charge as a public service.

# Cal. Stand. Oil BLAST TRADE UNION

Washington (LPA)—The Federal Trade Commission has charged that the Trade Union Courier has falsely represented that it is endorsed by the American Federation of Labor and 2000 of its unions. Declaring the Courier has violated the FTC Act, the FTC has ordered a hearing at New York April 29.

Raddock,

As Indianapolis Kills

Indianapolis (LPA)—Real estate interests scored a victory over labor unions and low-income families here when the City Council killed the city's public housing program, after three of its members had switched sides.

The vote for repealing previous actions of the council under which the Housing Authority was proceeding with seven low-rental projects to house 1,500 families was 6 to 3. Three Democrats voted against the ordinance. Of the solid Republican delegation, it was stated by Secy. D. R. Barneclo of the Central Labor Union, one previously supported the Housing Authority and two had placed themselves on record as favoring public hous-The University of California has ing in answering a CLU question-

Barneclo spoke for the large number of AFL members attending the City Council session. Miles Lloyd Jr., president of the Indianapolis CIO Council, headed a big representation from CIO groups.

"Take a day off and go out and look at the slums," the councilmen were advised. "Don't let the slums Faculty Advisory Committee, he of Indianapolis be a breeding ground for communists."

Disregarded by the City Council was the warning by James Beatty, attorney for the Housing Authority, that the city faces a suit by appointed by Governor Warren on the Federal Government to collect \$275,000 already expended by the

## \$3 Weekly Raise Won By 22,000 Service Wkrs.

New York (LPA)-Increases of \$3 weekly were won by 22,000 AFL Building Service Employees here. The boost went into effect Feb. 4 for 6,500 workers in Manhattan office and loft buildings under wage reopening negotiations with the Midtown Realty Owners Assn.

Two weeks earlier Local 32-B negotiated a similar agreement with the Realty Advisory Board on Labor Relations affecting 12,-Washington (LPA) - The radio 000, with independent operators The wage ers, elevator operators, porters and other maintenance workers at Two Senators, one from each \$57 to \$67.83 for a 40-hour, 5-day All other terms of the three-year

agreement signed last spring remain in effect, including the union procedure will be followed from shop, hospitalization, surgical and life insurance coverage, vacations,

#### HANFORD PAY BOOST

Pasco, Wash. (LPA) - A new wage scale of \$2.62 % cents an hour -up 17½ cents-has been accepted by machinists on the Hanford Atomic project.

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The complaint declared that the following claims by the Trade Union Courier are "false, misleading and deceptive": that the Courier is endorsed by the AFL; officially endorsed by 2,000 AFL unions; is affiliated with the American Labor Press Association and serviced by the International Labor News Service and the American Labor News Service. USED INTIMIDATION

The complaint declared that the Courier has placed advertisements of various concerns in the paper "without having received authorization" and then, seeking to exact payment, subjected firms and indi-viduals "to harassment, intimidation and unlawful demands for payment of non-existent debts."

The various actions charged, aid the FTC, "are all to the said the FTC, prejudice and injury of the public and of respondents' competitors and constitute unfair and deceptive acts and practices and unfair methods of competition."

The AFL has denounced the

Trade Union Courier on many occasions. At its 1948 convention it branded the Courier "the most flagrant violator of ethical labor journalism."

In December 1949 the Michigan Federation of Labor complained that the Courier was trying to get money from businessmen in Lansing, Mich., for "an educational program to fight commu-nist influence in the AFL." At the request of the Michigan AFL, George Meany, AFL secretarytreasurer, again declared that the Courier had no official connection with the AFL whasoever, and that the Michigan solicitation was "unauthorized and without knowledge and sanction of the AFL."

AFL Pres. William Green in April 1950 issued a statement warning all state federations and central labor unions to give no support to the Courier. In September 1951 the American Federationist, official AFL monthly magazine, issued another warning against the Courier, again pointing out that the Courier has no connection with the AFL, and is not endorsed by the AFL.

In October 1951 the Buffalo, N.Y. Federation of Labor warned local businessmen that the Courier is not an official BFL paper.

## OPS Orders \$ & c **Ceilings Posted** By Restaurants

Washington (LPA) - Effective April 7, the nation's 500,000 restaurants and bars will have to post dollars and cents price ceilings. In announcing the order March 27, the Office of Price Stabilization said no general change in overall restaurant prices is expected.

The ceilings will be geared to the government's consumer price index, more popularly known as the cost of living index, and will be adjusted up and down on "significant changes" in the index.

The ceilings will be the prices prevailing during the week of Feb. 3 to 9. Restaurants must post the prices of 40 principal foods and non-alcoholic items, and where liquor is sold the prices of up to 20 hard drinks must be posted.

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## HOUR EARNINGS **OFF 57 CENTS**

Average hourly earnings, including overtime and other premium pay, for mid-February, were down 57 cents from the December 1951 average, according to the Labor Department Bureau of Labor Sta-

The figures were on the 13 milmanufacturing plants. The averweekly pay checks, before deductions, averaged \$66.83.

Although workers in defenseconnected industries had higher wages because of longer hours, slumps occurred in some consumer industries. Weekly earnings in textile-mill products dropped \$2.20 remaining four constitute the reguto \$51.74 from February 1951, and lar season. They are "Song of apparel and other finished textile products also showed lower wages.

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LIGHT OPERA SEASON OPENS

For the first time since it was started back in 1939, the San Francisco Civic Light Opera Association is offering five musical events, instead of the customary four to lion U. S. production workers in its season ticket subscribers and patrons. But the additional one is age hourly earnings, including optional and season tickets can be overtime, were \$1.64, and the ordered either for the four or five ordered either for the four or five attractions.

> The 1952 annual season will get tional Variety Show-which opens at the Curran Theater on May 26. This is the optional event and the Norway," a gala new production; "South Pacific," returns by popular from New York; and a new musical, "Jollyanna," starring Bobby Clark and Mitzi Gaynor.

Judy Garland created a sensation when she opened her variety show at the famous Palace. For 20 years vaudeville tried to stage a comeback at this world-renowned Miss Garland attempted it that it met with success. Judy stayed there 19 sell-out weeks and then went to London and conquered it Blair, who starred in it at the too. Eddie Cantor calls Judy, "the greatest entertainer in history," and the Civic Light Opera is proud success.

Civic Light Opera's musical tri- breaking engagement in Chicago. umph. It was premiered here in gala production by General Director Edwin Lester. "South Pacific," the musical hit

of all time, returns with Janet

**Rhodes Bill Would Extend Benefits** To All Over 65

Washington (EPA).-A bill to make all persons 65 and over eligible for minimum social security benefits has been introduced in the House by Rep. George M. Rhodes (D,Pa.). The bill also would raise minimum benefits from \$20 to \$30 a month.

Rhodes estimated the legislation would cost about \$1.75 billion. Half under way with a pre-season event of this would become available im--Judy Garland and her Interna- mediately, he said, because the bill would save about \$800 million in public assistance payments now made to states by the U.S. to supplement inadequate incomes of older people.

The remainder, he said, could be raised "by closing a few of the demand; "Call Me Madam," direct tax loopholes" which lose the government about \$5 billion annually.

"Let's put an end to shame lists and embarrassment for our old people and put a little sunshine into their lives in their twilight days," he said. "This kind of legislation builds effective barriers against communism. It is sound citadel but it was not until legislation to promote the general welfare and to strengthen the na-

Opera House. It will again play there, opening June 30. Miss Blair will have a new leading man, Webb to present her in this outstanding Tilton, and will be supported by Irene Bordoni and David Burns, Song of Norway," which opens in the other starring roles. All of at the Curren, June 23rd, is the them have scored in the record-

The new musical hit of the sea-1944, went to New York where it son will be "Call Me Madam," was a hit for two years, and re- opening at the Opera House, July turned following a sensational run 28. It will be brought direct from in London. Following its return its long-run engagement in New engagement here in 1947, it toured York by the Civic Light Opera. An the United States and Canada, and all-star cast is being prepared for is now being prepared in a new it for its run here and in Los Angeles as part of the Civic Light Opera festival there too.

A new musical show, "Jollyanna," starring two of the best names in the theater, Bobby Clark and Mitzi Gaynor, will be the final event of the season, opening at the Curran, August 11. Bobby Clark is remembered for his hilarious version of "Sweethearts," and Mitzi, Gerber, was in such Civic Light Opera hits as "Song of Norway," "Naughty Marietta" and "The Great Waltz." She has since created quite a stir in motion pictures, her recent film being "Golden Girl."

For information concerning the 1952 season, write the Curran Theater, San Francisco.

For the truth, hear Frank Edwards, week nights, MBS at 10:15. Tell your friends.

DENVER LABOR TEMPLE

Denver (LPA)-Plans to convanced with election of State Fed-Cavender to head the newly-organized Union Building Corp. were voted for out-of-town and city school bands and drum corps.

PLAN LABOR DAY PARADE

Springfield, Mo. (LPA).-George struct a building to house AFL un- Washington's birthday was not too ions in the Denver area were ad- early for the Labor Day Parade committee of the Central Labor eration of Labor President George union to start plans for 1952. Prizes

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### Laborers 690 Gain Increases In Mont. Mills

Wage increase of 7 cents per hour, effective April 1, has been gained by lumber handlers of Laborers Union 690 in the Monterey mills and lumber yards, it was announced last week. The increase applies to the Monterey area only.

The increase, granted voluntarily under the new Wage Stabilization Board rulings, applies to the existing contract and runs until August 1, when a new contract is to be negotiated, officials of Local 690

Meanwhile, Local 690 is active in the negotiations for a new contract covering construction laborers, the negotiations being handled on a Northern California basis in talks with the Associated General Con-

#### FREE BARBERING

South Bend, Ind. (LPA)-Parts of their days off are spent regularly by AFL Barbers here at the Healthwin hospital in grooming without charge tubercular patients. It's a great morale booster for the recipients, hospital authorities say.

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WINNING TEAM .- Michael Lee Hintz, two-year-old mascot of the AFL Electrical Workers' softball team in Phoenix, Ariz., starts the new season by showing off trophies won by the team last season. Mike's father, Bob Hintz, is the team's star shortstop. (LPA)



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many of the cannery workers have returned to work this past week. The Raiter Canning Co. and Spiegl Farms are now processing spinach ing June 8. Contributing memberwith Spiegl Farms running both a day shift and night shift.

in the hospital. He wishes to thank his many friends for their thoughtful "get well wishes." Bud is indeed missed and everyone hopes All boys interested in this wholeto see him back on the job soon completely recovered.

Meetings have been held with Crane Co., the beverage industry and the shook industry with negotiations still continuing.

ARE YOU A REGISTERED VOTER?

The deadline is April 10 to register for the primary election. If you have not registered, you may do Enough to Live On have not registered, you may do so at your union office either in Washington (LPA)-The income Monterey or Salinas. Voting is not only a duty, but should be consid- in 1950 was \$3300, the Census Bu-

Due to the beautiful weather, ered a privilege. Register today.

Little League Baseball season will soon be here, the season startship cards are now on sale at the union office at \$5.00 each. A card will entitle the holder to attend Your secretary, Bud Kenyon, is every game played during the 1952 now at home recuperating from season. The first Little League preunomia after spending a week Clinic will be held April 12, at which time 16 Little League teams will be organized consisting of boys from eight to twelve years of age. some sport should attend the clinic, which will be held at Closter Park and the Rodeo Grounds. Watch your local paper for time, etc.

# 'Average' Income In 1950 Was Not

"average" American family reau reported March 25. Although this was \$200 more than 1949, it was still below what the Bureau of Labor Statistics considers enough for a "modest but adequate" standard of living.

In other words, in 1950 the "average" American family did not have enough to live on, even modestly. For 1950, a "modest but adequate" budget for a city worker, married. with two children, and the wife not working was \$3750 in Detroit: \$3779 in Pittsburgh; \$3926 in Washington; \$3808 in San Francisco, and \$3833 in Atlanta, Ga.

Of the nation's 40 million families, 10 million had an income of less than \$2000 in 1950, according to the Census Bureau; 31 million families had less than \$5000, and only 1.3 million families had incomes above \$10,000.

The Census Bureau also reported that average income of farm families rose from \$1400 in 1949 to \$2000 in 1950, and that the average World War II veteran had an income of \$3008 while the non-veteran had \$2626. The average veteran's income was up 27 per cent since 1947, the non-veteran's only 2 per cent.

# SAYS GOVERNMENT WKRS. MAY STRIKE

"Government employees may strike," said a recent issue of PANEL, publication of the Labor-Management School of the University of San Francisco, "if they fulfill the conditions necessary for any just strike." Setting forth these conditions. the article entitled, "May Government Employees Strike?"

goes on and demonstrates that it is possible for government employees to satisfy these conditions.

"To say that a man may not strike against government sup-poses either that the state is the source of man's right to strike, or that the requisite conditions of a just strike can never be verified when the government is the em-

"Both This right comes from nature and not from the state. If it did, we may as well 'cease fire' against totalitarianism now. The second supposition must be rejected because it is false to say that the general conditions justifying a strike can never be verified when the government is the employer. the government is the employer. Road Project Generally speaking, employees in Road Project private industry are more able to fulfill thhese conditions than those in government. But certainly not all government employees are ruled out."

Copies of the issue of PANEL may be had by writing or phoning Labor - Management School, University of San Francisco, San Francisco 17, Calif., SKyline 2-1000.

The London bus drivers who are to take three double-decker London buses on a good-will tour of the United States, passed driving tests in New York's swirling traffic on March 18th.

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### **Plumber Chiefs** At Fresno Meet

John Grisin, business manager of Monterey Plumbers Union 62, and E. R. Arbuckle, business manager of Salinas Plumbers Union 503, were in Fresno last week-end for a meeting of coast counties unions suppositions are wrong, in regard to a new contract.

The union officials were to hear reports from their negotiator, Attorney P. H. McCarthy, and were expected to consider plans for further contract revision efforts. Grisin and Arbuckle will report at coming meetings of their unions.

# **Due to Start**

Resurfacing and other work on Highway 101 from the underpass south of Salinas to Chualar is expected to get under way shortly, following award of contract for the project to the Rice Bros. construction firm.

Laborers Union 272 of Salinas, which is anticipating call for men for the job some time this week, said this project will help ease the unemployment situation slightly.

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